

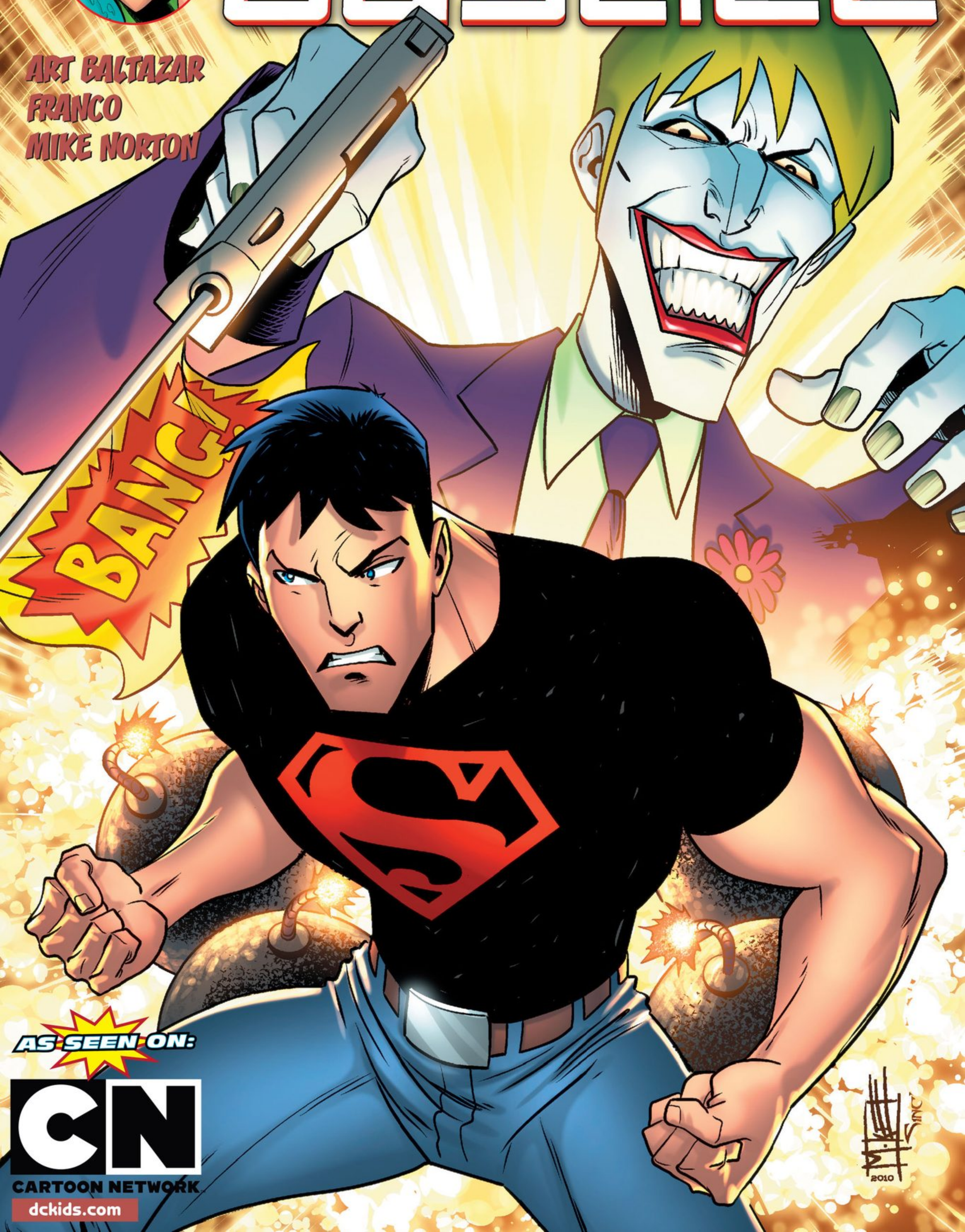


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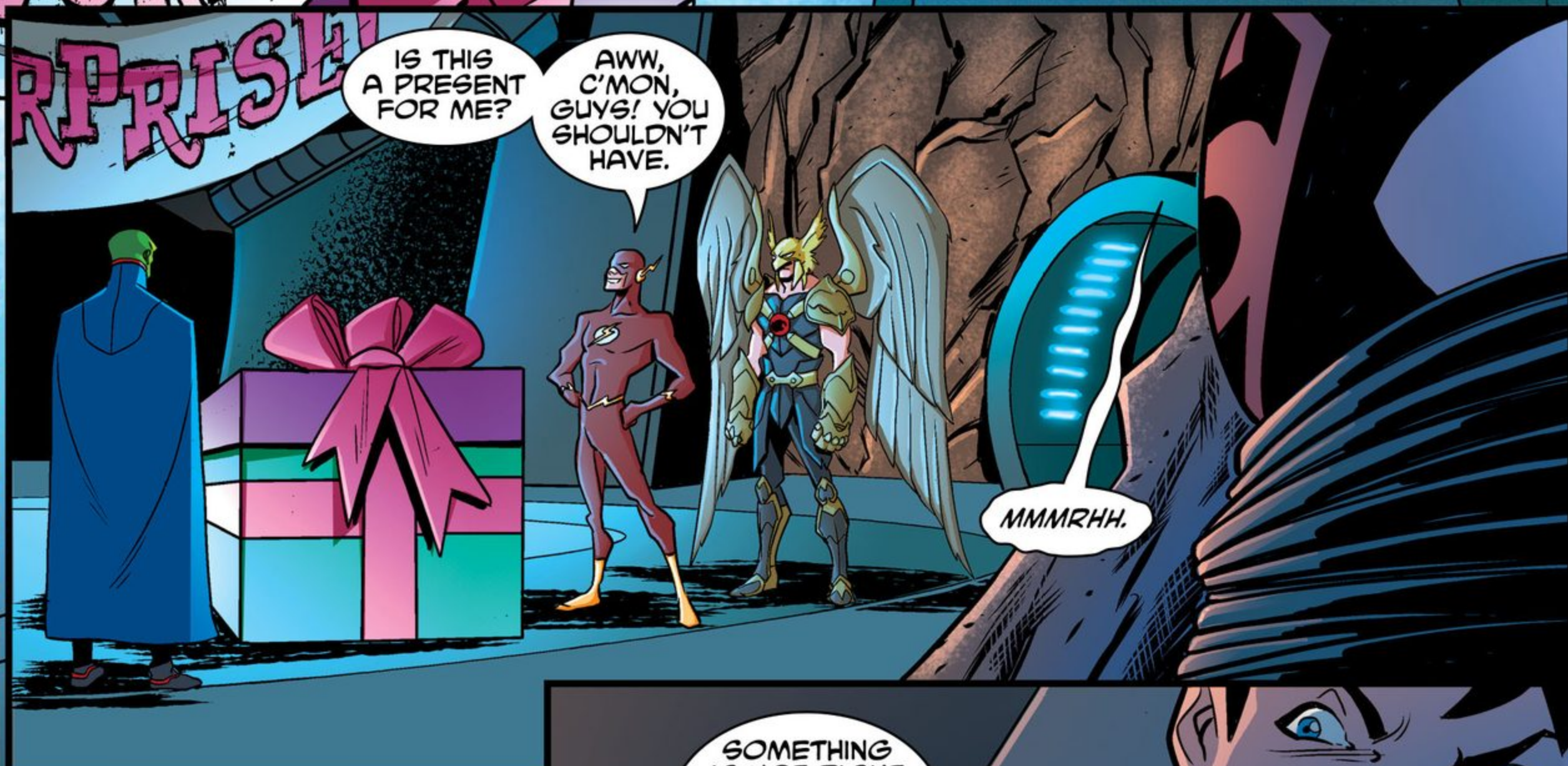
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squeak squeak squeak



OH,
THIS IS GOING
TO BE A BLAST!
AHAAHAHAHA!

squeak squeak squeak



SOMETHING IS NOT RIGHT HERE! I DON'T UNDERSTAND, IS THIS FOR A PARTY?

MOUNT JUSTICE
JULY 8, 11:28 EDT

MMMMMPHH

SURPRISE!

MONKEY BUSINESS

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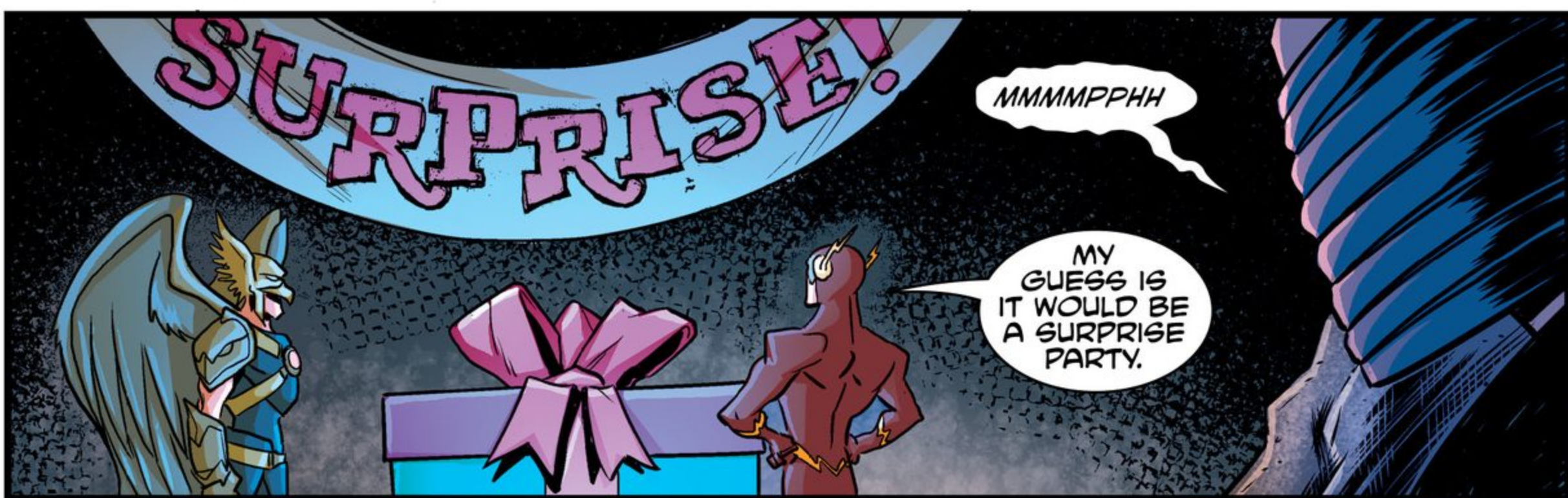


IF SNAPPER CONTACTED US, I DO NOT THINK IT WOULD BE FOR A PARTY.

HE MUST BE AROUND HERE SOMEWHERE.

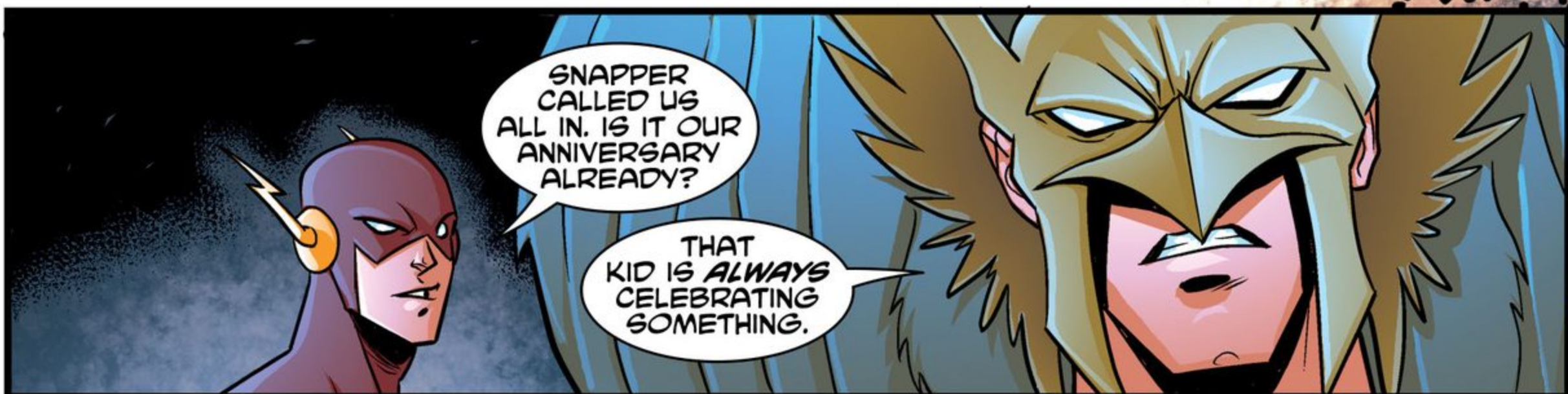


WHY WOULDN'T IT BE FOR A PARTY? I DON'T KNOW IF YOU GUYS HAVE NOTICED, BUT THERE'S A BIG GIANT PRESENT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROOM!



MMMMPPHH

MY GUESS IS IT WOULD BE A SURPRISE PARTY.



SNAPPER CALLED US ALL IN. IS IT OUR ANNIVERSARY ALREADY?

THAT KID IS *ALWAYS* CELEBRATING SOMETHING.



WHERE ARE YOU, SNAPPER?

THAT KID IS SOMETHING ELSE, HE WENT ALL OUT WITH A PRESENT AND EVERYTHING.



I'M GONNA FIND OUT WHAT'S IN HERE--

NO! DON'T TOUCH THAT!!



BOOOM





...AND I THINK *THIS* IS THE DEADLY PART.



MMMMFFFF!



THE JOKER'S A MANIAC AND UNPREDICTABLE. WE NEED TO GET YOU OUT OF HERE AND TO SAFETY!

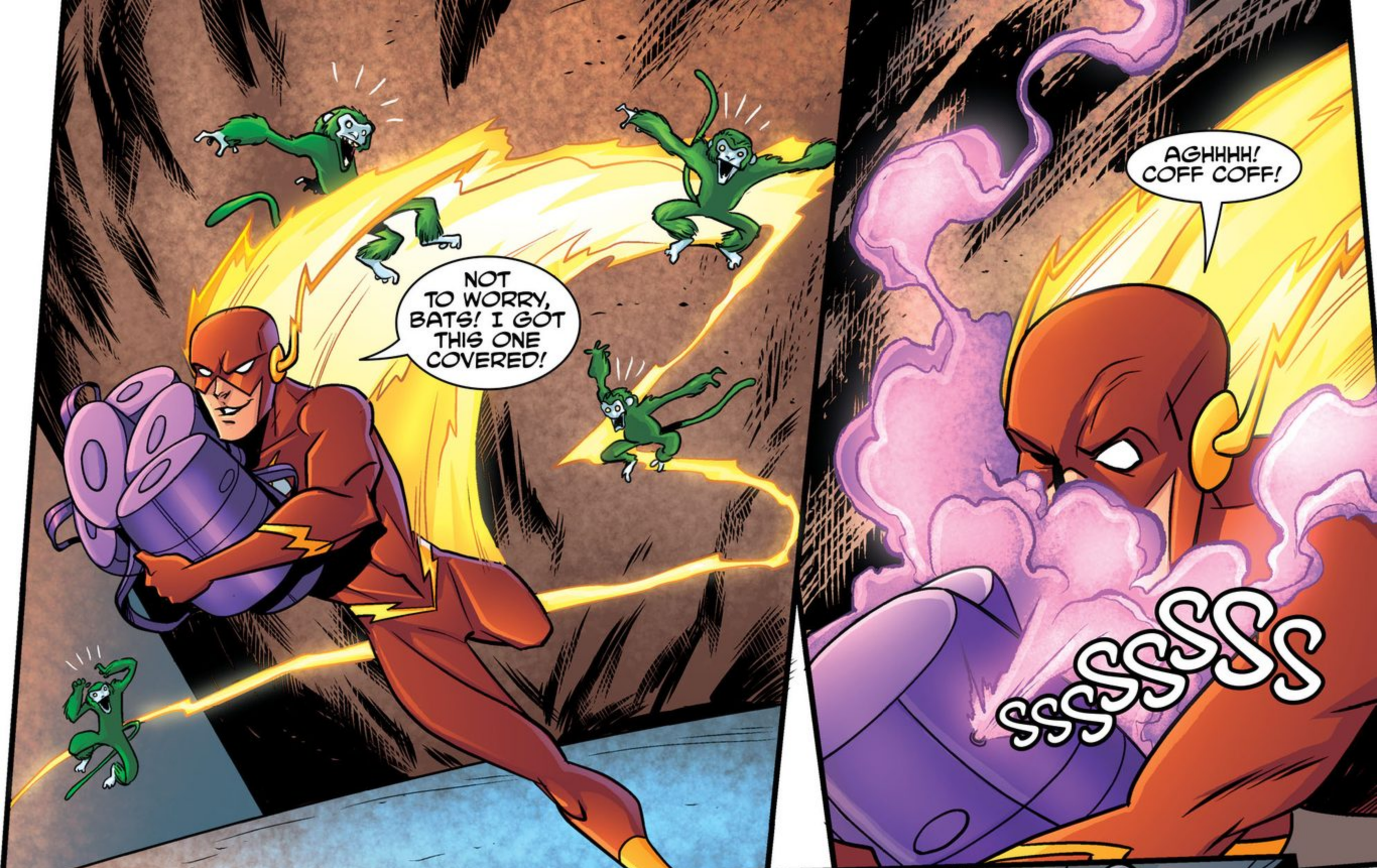
NO! I CAN HELP!



YOU'RE HELPLESS AGAINST HIM, SNAPPER, LET US HANDLE THIS.

THIS IS MY FAULT! HE *TRICKED* ME AND FOLLOWED, RIGHT TO THE CAVE!

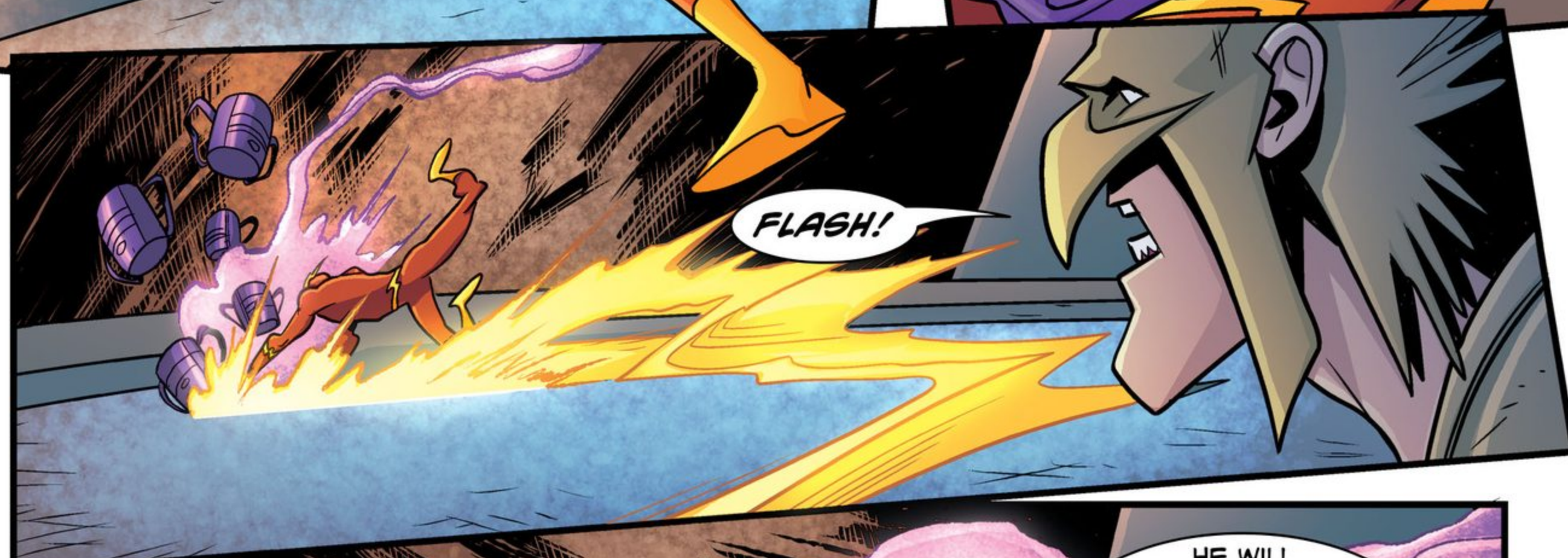
WELL, I AM NOT HELPLESS. I CAN PUT THIS... "JOKER" DOWN.



NOT TO WORRY, BATS! I GOT THIS ONE COVERED!

AGHHHH! COFF COFF!

SSSSSSSSSS



FLASH!

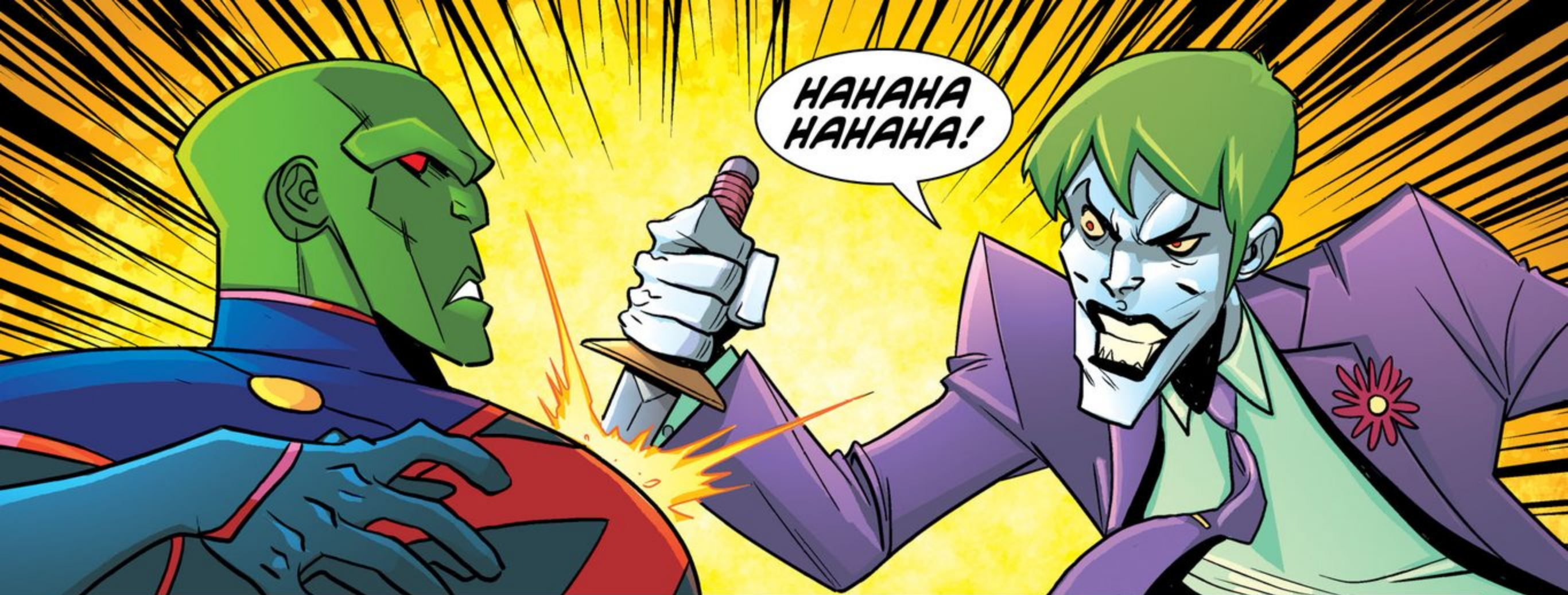


HE WILL BE FINE. HIS METABOLISM SHOULD BURN OFF THE EFFECTS OF THE TOXIN BEFORE ANY DAMAGE CAN BE DONE.

FWISSSHHH



I DON'T LIKE PEOPLE WHO MESS WITH MY FUN.



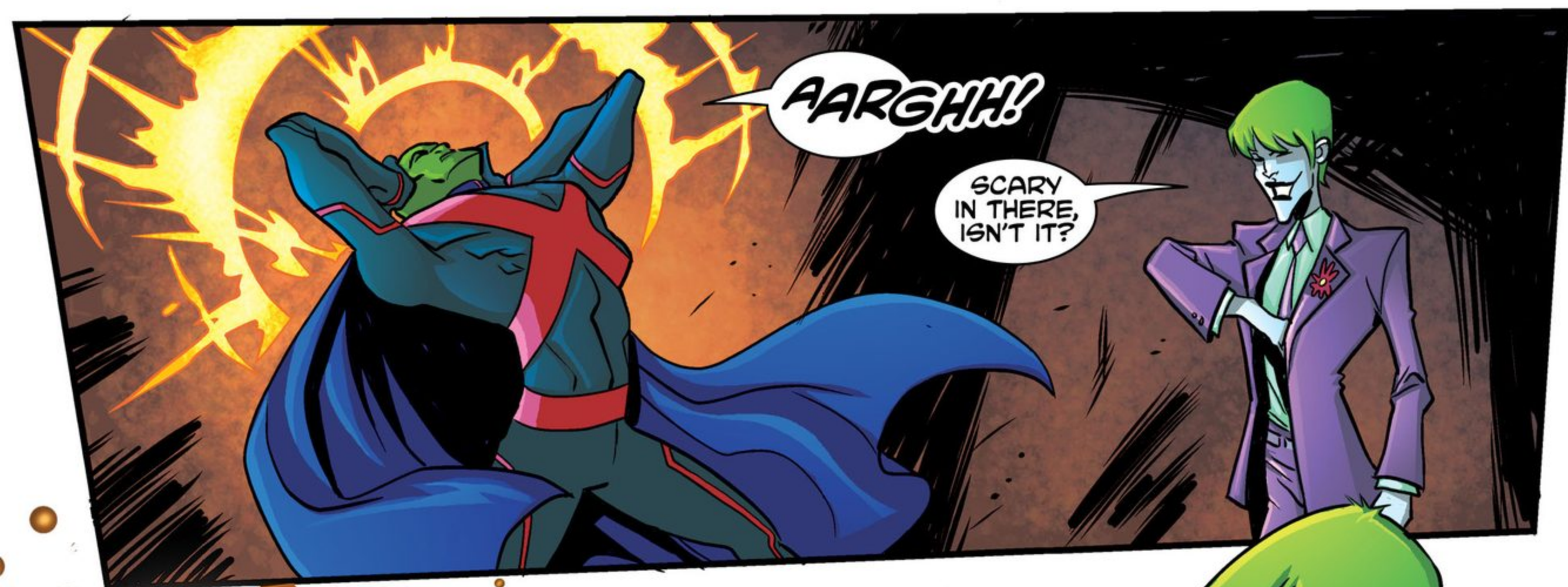
HAHAHA
HAHAHA!



HEY!
YOU BENT MY
WOOKIEE!

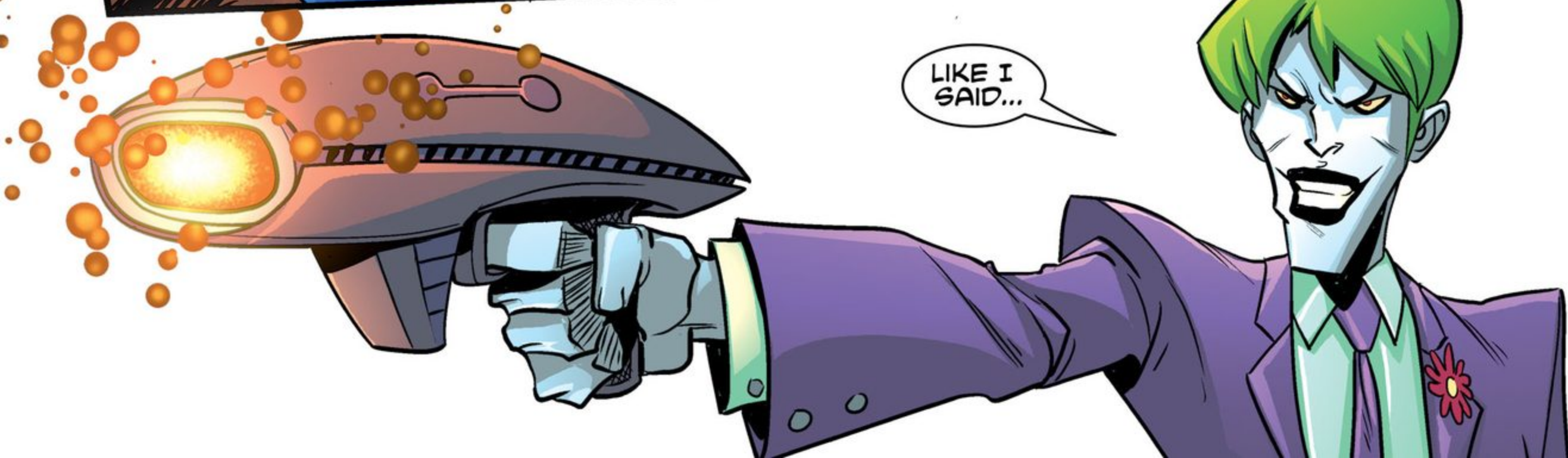


THIS COMES TO
AN END NOW. I
WILL ENTER YOUR
MIND AND
SIMPLY--

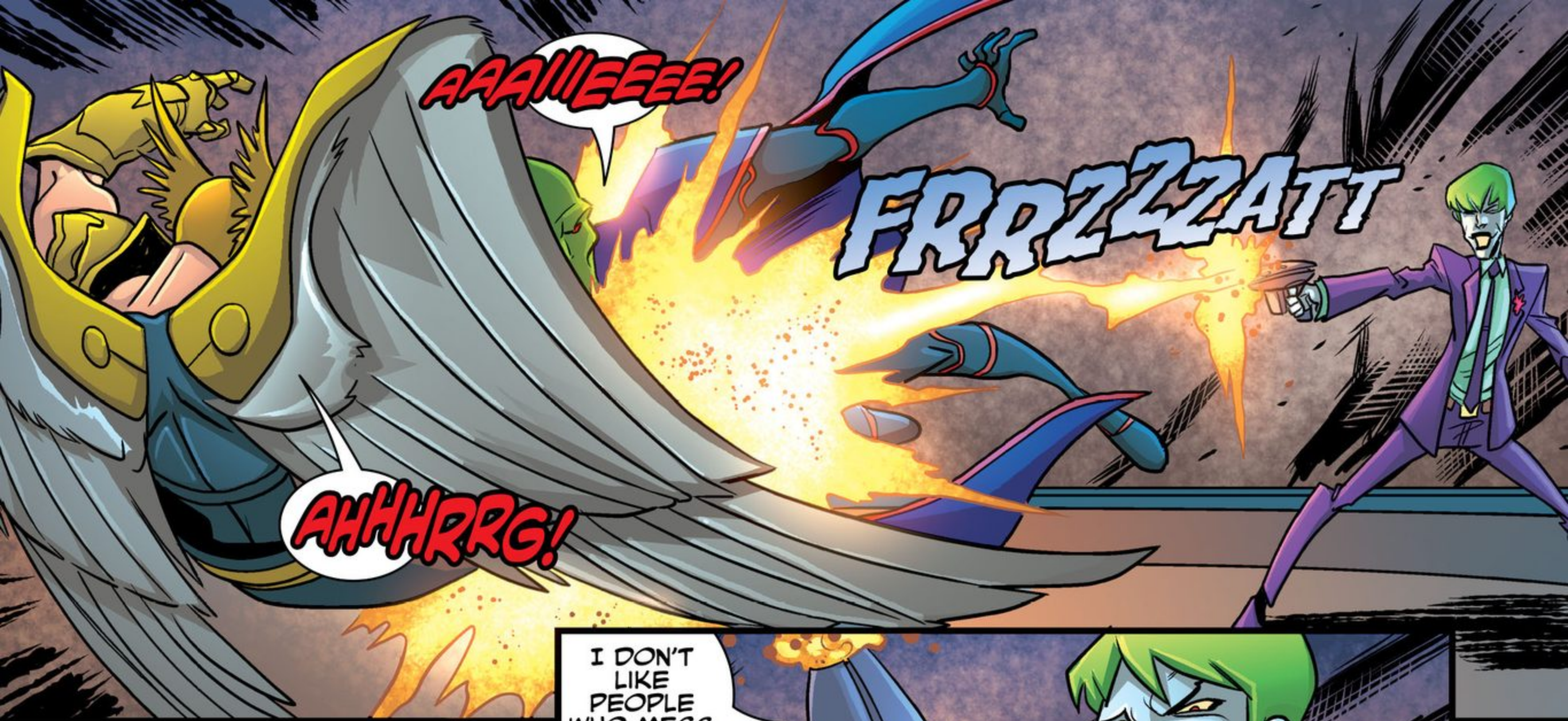


AARGHH!

SCARY
IN THERE,
ISN'T IT?



LIKE I
SAID...





OOOFF!

WHAM



I'M BLEEDING? H-HOW IS THAT POSSIBLE?

YOU'RE GOING DOWN, JOKER!



NO!



HAHAHAHAHA PLEASE! THE LITTLE BOY THAT PLAYS *PUBLICIST* TO THE JUSTICE LEAGUE? THE EXCLUSIVE *FANBOY* THAT GETS AN ALL-ACCESS PASS TO THE MOST POWERFUL PEOPLE ON THE PLANET?



DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH.



LOOKS LIKE IT'S JUST DOWN TO YOU AND ME, BATMAN! JUST LIKE IT SHOULD BE, THE TWO OF US... ALONE.



HE'S NOT ALONE!

OH GOODY. THE GANGS ALL HERE!



TIME TO REALLY GET THIS PARTY STARTED!

LET'S GO OUT WITH A BANG, SHALL WE?

CLICK



BEEP BEEP BEEP BEEP



RECOGNIZED.
SUPERBOY-B-ZERO-
FOUR.

UGH!



BEEP BEEP BEEP

IN THE
SHORT TIME I
HAVE BEEN IN THE
"OUTSIDE" WORLD I
HAVE COME TO A
CERTAIN CONCLUSION
ABOUT ONE
THING...



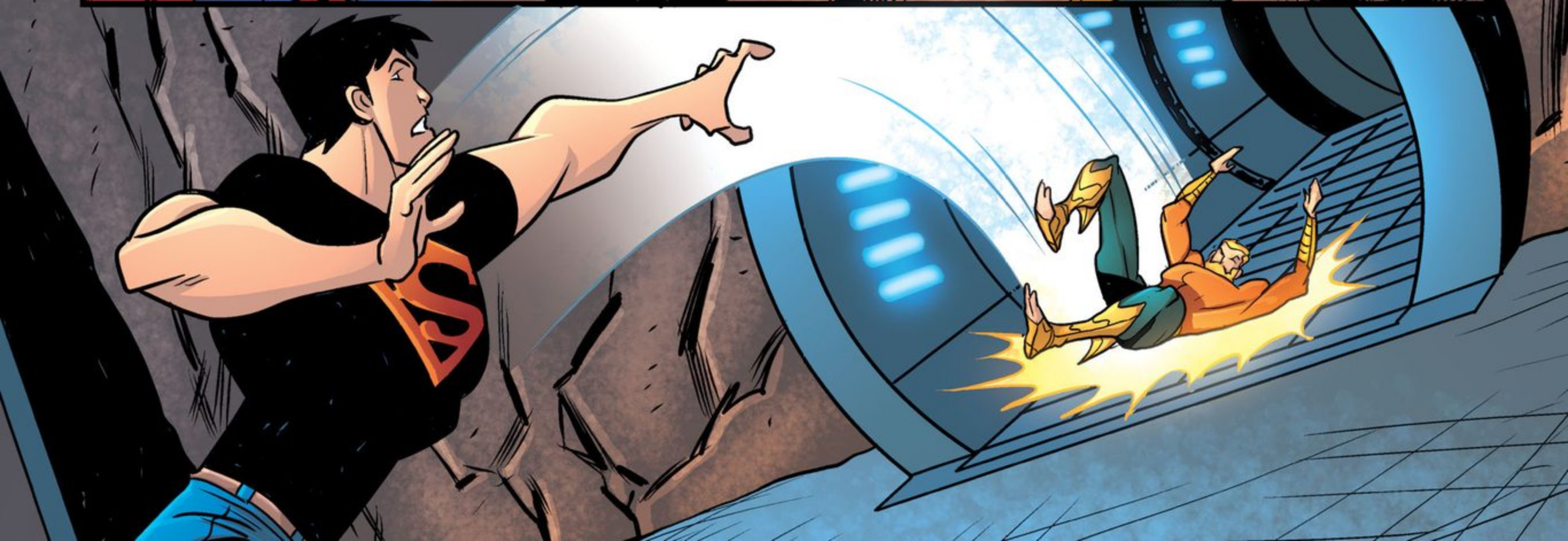
I HATE
MONKEYS.

BOOM

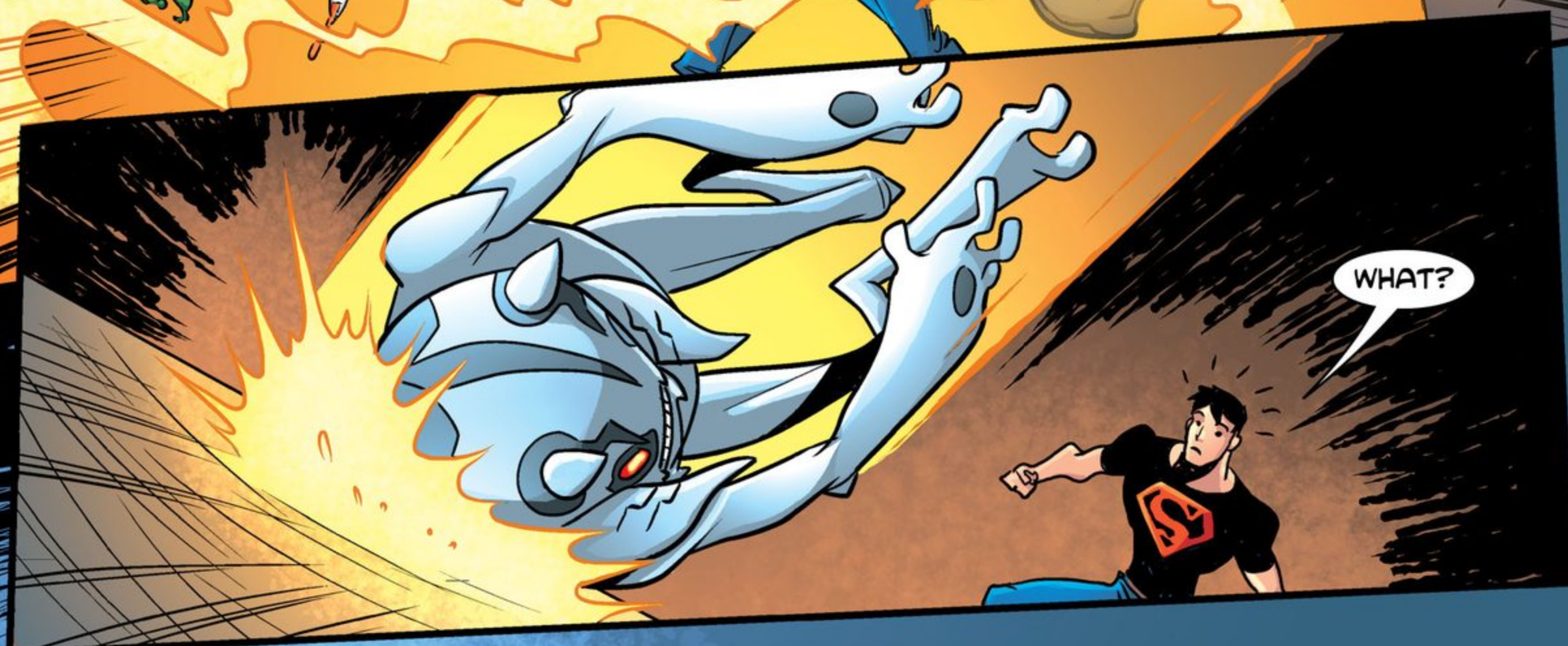
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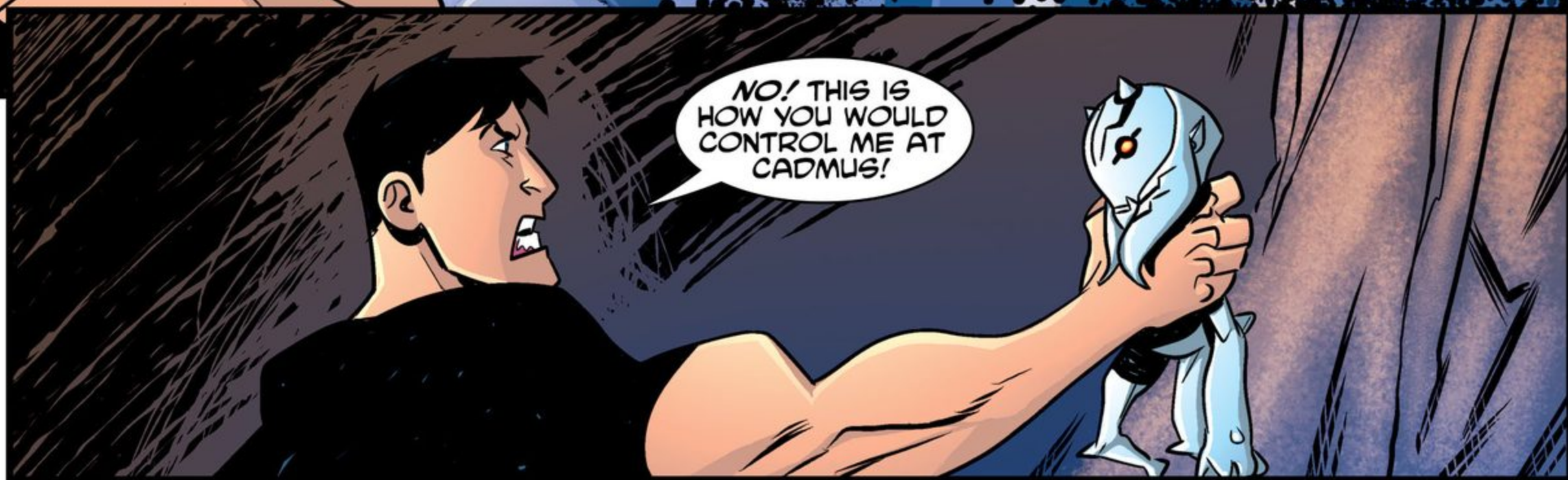
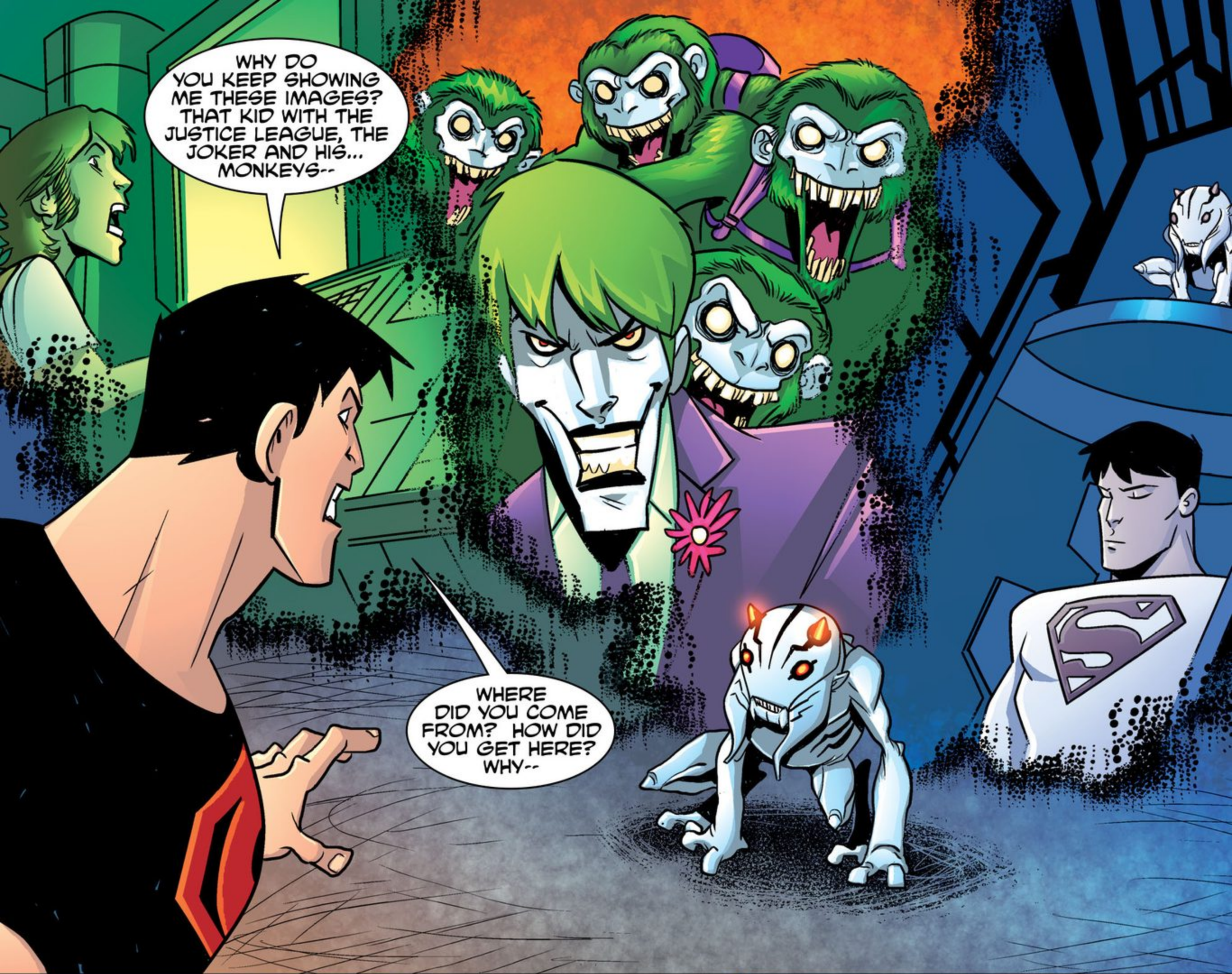


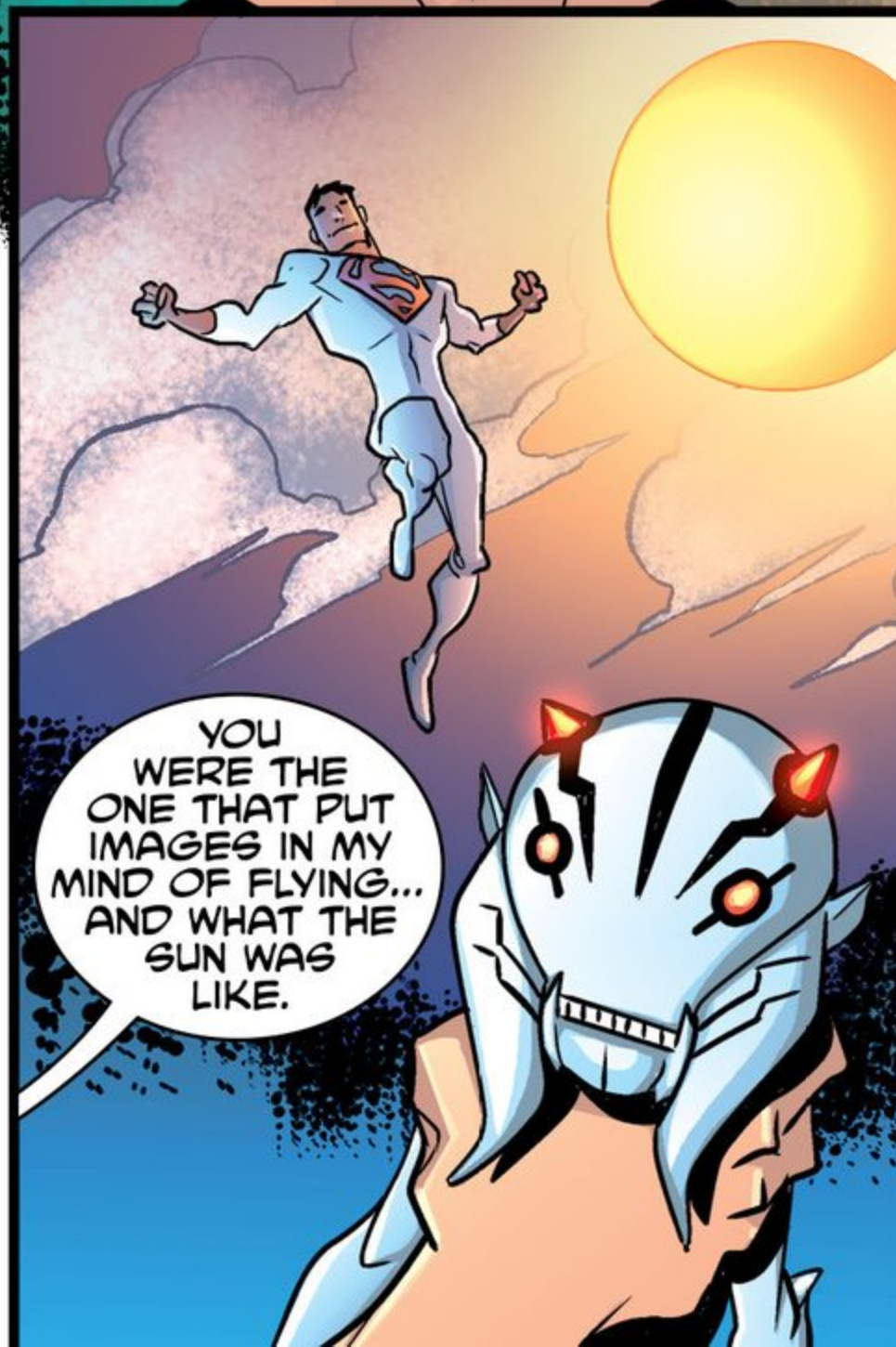












THIS G-GNOME HAS A VERY STRONG CONNECTION WITH YOU IN PARTICULAR BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN WITH YOU YOUR ENTIRE LIFE.

IT MUST HAVE SIMPLY SNUCK INTO THE CAVE WHILE RECONSTRUCTION WAS GOING ON AND BEFORE THE SECURITY SYSTEM WAS ACTIVATED.

YES, I UNDERSTAND THAT IT FOLLOWED ME HERE AND IT'S CLOSE CONNECTION TO ME.

WHAT I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS HOW IT ALL FELT SO REAL.

WHEN THE JOKER PUNCHED ME, I FELT IT! I FELT *EVERYTHING*, THE HEAT OF THE EXPLOSIONS! EVEN WHEN I PICKED UP AQUAMAN! I WAS EVEN BLEEDING!

IT WAS A PSYCHIC PHENOMENA TRIGGERED BY THE G-GNOME. IT HAS GREAT TELEPATHIC ABILITY. IN THIS CASE IT HAPPENED TO TRIGGER WHAT IS CALLED PERCEPTION AT A DISTANCE. IT WAS ABLE TO PERCEIVE THE TRAUMATIC ACTS THAT OCCURRED HERE IN THE CAVE QUITE SOME TIME LONG AGO.

THE PSYCHIC RESIDUE MUST BE STRONG FOR IT, LINGER HERE AFTER SO MANY YEARS AND FOR THE G-GNOME TO PICK UP ON IT.

HOW IS THAT POSSIBLE?

THERE ARE STUDIES OF MENTAL INTERACTION BETWEEN LIVING ORGANISMS THAT INDICATE THAT SOME UNKNOWN MECHANISM IN THE BRAIN ALLOWS THE MIND OF ONE PERSON, OR THING, TO INDUCE PHYSICAL CHANGE OR EVEN PAIN ON ANOTHER PERSON REMOTELY.

GIVEN THIS PARTICULAR G-GNOME'S ATTACHMENT TO YOU AND THE INCREDIBLE IMAGES IT CAN MANIFEST, INDICATING A RATHER LARGE MENTAL CAPACITY, THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT I BELIEVE OCCURRED HERE.

IN OTHER WORDS. THE PSYCHIC CONNECTION BETWEEN THE TWO OF YOU WAS SO STRONG THAT YOUR BRAIN WAS CAUSING ANY PAIN YOU FELT. WHEN THE JOKER STRUCK YOU, YOU "FELT IT." YOUR BRAIN INFLICTED THAT PAIN, SO MUCH SO THAT IT LED TO YOU ACTUALLY CAUSING YOURSELF TO BLEED.

IT IS A GOOD THING YOU DID NOT ENGAGE FURTHER BEFORE BREAKING THE CONNECTION, OR THE RESULTS COULD HAVE EVEN BEEN DEADLY.



YOU SHOULD REST.



I WILL SEE ABOUT HAVING THIS G-GNOME RETURNED TO CADMUS.



WOW! YOUR OWN BRAIN, HUH?

SO... WITH ALL THAT BRAIN ACTIVITY GOING ON, DID YOU LEARN ANYTHING ABOUT YOURSELF?



YES.



I HATE MONKEYS.

END